

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING HELD 25 OCTOBER 2021

1 OPEN MEETING

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- Cr Rex Edmunds - President
- Cr Teresa Timber - Deputy President
- Cr John Moreen
- Cr Lenard Sing

Staff:

- Cathy Winsley - CEO
- Jasmine Brar - Administration/Finance

Visitors:

- Cathryn Hutton - Consultant

MEETING OPENED The Ordinary Meeting of Council Meeting opened at 5:13PM

Deputy President Teresa Timber left the meeting at 5:16PM

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

<2.1.10.21>That Council accepts the apology of Cr Claude Holtze for the Ordinary Council 25 October 2021.

Moved: Cr Lenard Sing

Seconded: President Rex Edmunds

Deputy President Teresa Timber returned to the meeting at 5:19PM

3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

<3.1.10.21>That Council receives and notes the declarations of interest for the Ordinary General Meeting 25 October 2021 being Cr Lenard Sing (item 12.1).

Moved: Cr Teresa Timber

Seconded: Cr John Moreen

4 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

NIL

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

<5.1.10.21> That the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 20th September 2021 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: President Rex Edmunds

Seconded: Cr Lenard Sing

6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President gave a verbal report that included the following items:

- The telemetry for the water tank is complete
- Suggests to the School that they consider cover for the basketball court.
The CEO provided some background regarding the basketball court and advised the elected members that the school did not consider the land to be theirs. Council has previously approached the NLC for permission to erect lights at the basketball court. The money that the NLC wanted for the land made it prohibitively expensive.
- The need for speed bumps and road signs – *the CEO advised that the speed bumps and road signs are waiting for installation. The Council suggested that a community meeting be held to remind the young people not to vandalize the signs.*

<6.1.10.21>

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the President's Report.
- b) Council writes to the NLC to invite CEO of NCL and TOs to discuss Section 19 Lease matters.
- c) Council writes to Ironbark to request assistance in erecting the traffic management signs and traffic calming devices.
- d) Council writes to the Department of Infrastructure to request that the speed limit outside the community be reduced to 80 km an hour and signs posted to warn drivers to watch out for people and wildlife.
- e) Write to the School, Health Clinic and Territory Housing requesting that the Council and local community members be prioritized for job or contracting opportunities within the Belyuen community.

Moved: Deputy President Teresa Timber

Seconded: President Edmund Rex

7 CEO REPORTS

7.1 Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

<7.1.10.21>

That Council:

- a) Receives and notes the Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence Report tabled at the Council meeting 25 October 2021.
- b) Ratify the CEO's acceptance of the inclusion of a special condition to the NAAP services 2021-2022 contract in relation to the management of temporary cashless debit cards
- c) Thank the Coomalie President Sharon Beswick for her letter and looks forward to working closely with her and the Coomalie Council in the future.
- e) Approves the nomination of "Oval Redevelopment" as the Priority Project under the Local Government Immediate Priority Grants Round 2021/22
- f) Notes that Cr Sing will provide contact details of Core Lithium to the CEO. Requests that the CEO invites representatives from Core Lithium Ltd to discuss opportunities for working with the Council particular with regards to the oval redevelopment.
- g) Council requests that the Stage 1 and Stage 2 training to be conducted by the Department of Local Government and Regional Development is undertaken in November 2021 and that the training be conducted close together. Council advises that they would prefer the training to be conducted during the day.
- h) Council writes to the Coordinator of the Kenbi Rangers and CEO of NLC to request that Cr John Moreen an employee of the Kenbi Rangers is permitted to attend Local Government meetings and training without having his pay deducted.

Moved: President Rex Edmunds

Seconded: Cr John Moreen

7.2 Report from the CEO

The CEO gave a verbal report that included the following highlights:

- Very successful Seniors Week event
- Aged Care is progressing very well with new clients coming on every day. A new system has been implemented by Services Australia. This caused some difficulties with the reconciliation of September's Aged Care finances.
- ABA has requested an updated quote for the Aged Care bus, but CEO is still waiting for paperwork.

<7.2.10.21>That Council receives and notes the report from the CEO as tabled.

Moved: Deputy President Teresa Timber
Seconded: Cr John Moreen

7.3 COVID 19 Vaccine Mandate

<7.3.10.21>That Council notes the CHO Directive in relation to mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations and notes the Council’s obligations to enforce the mandate.

Moved: President Rex Edmunds
Seconded: Cr John Moreen

8 OFFICER REPORTS

NIL

9 FINANCIAL REPORTS

9.1 Monthly Financial Report

<9.1.10.21>That Council receives the financial reports for the period September 2021 as tabled in this report.

Moved: Cr Lenard Sing
Seconded: President Rex Edmunds

9.2 Grant Matters

<9.2.10.21>
That Council:

- a) Ratify the Grant Acquittal for Territory Families Housing and Community Seniors Grant 2021
- b) Approve the nomination of the Oval Redevelopment project as the priority project for the 2021-22 Local Government Immediate Priority Grants (IPG) program
- c) Approve the combining of the 2020-21 and 2021-22 Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) grant to purchase a tip truck up to the value of \$150,000 with any residual grant money will be used to purchase minor asset items to fully expend the grant.
- d) Approve the projects “intended to improve the store’s ability to maintain food at an acceptable temperature and increase the shelf life of store items” for application to the Indigenous Advancement Strategy Strengthening Remote Communities – Food Security Grant Opportunity.

Moved: President Rex Edmunds
Seconded: Cr Lenard Sing

10 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

10.1 CDP – IRONBARK

Cr Lenard Sing discussed the problems with Ironbark and how the members in the community do not want to go to Berry Springs to undertake activities. The CEO discussed how few people had managed to gain employment through the CDP Ironbark program.

<10.1.10.21>That Council writes to Ironbark:

- a) To request that the participants from Belyuen undertake activities within Belyuen and not in Berry Springs.
- b) To request that a local supervisor is employed and that this person is present every day.

Moved: Cr Lenard Sing

Seconded: Cr John Moreen

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

NIL

12 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

<12.1.10.21>THAT pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

Moved: President Rex Edmunds

Seconded: Deputy President Teresa Timber

13 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 29 November 2021 at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at 5:00PM.